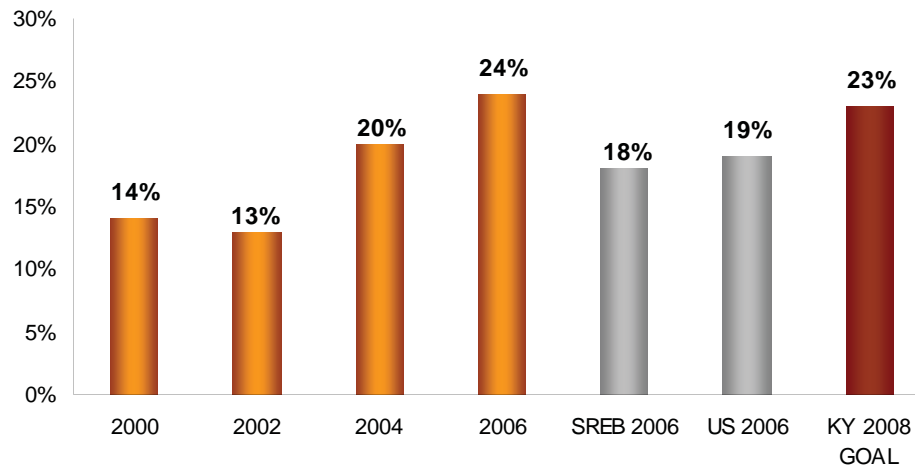


# Affordability of college for low-income families

**Current: 24%**

**Goal: 23%**

**Percent of income needed for low-income families to pay for tuition at the state's lowest-priced institution**



Source: *Measuring Up 2006: The State Report Card on Higher Education*

## Rationale for goal

After several consecutive years of tuition increases and rising costs, Kentucky will strive to reverse the trend for Kentucky's most vulnerable population by focusing on efficiency and increasing federal, state, and institutional aid.

## About this measure

This indicator, developed by *Measuring Up*, monitors college affordability for families that are least able to pay. This indicator takes the median family income of the lowest income quintile in Kentucky (\$10,000) and determines what percent is needed to pay the average tuition at the lowest priced institution in the state (KCTCS).